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John S. Voynick, Jr., Esq., and Andrew J. Renda, Jr., Esq., selected by New Jersey Monthly as personal injury "Super Lawyers" for fourth consecutive year

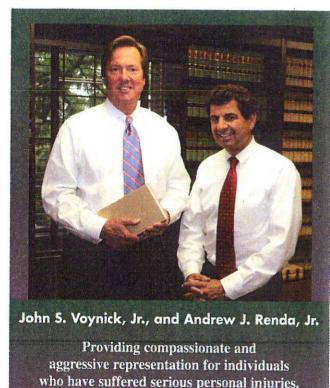
Within one month's time, **Renda & Voynick** secured a \$5 million settlement for a client and also obtained a \$1.5 million jury verdict in another case in the Essex County Superior Court. These cases were both reported in the *New Jersey Law Journal* as significant recoveries. They are outlined on the back page of this newsletter.

The firm is also pleased to announce that John S. Voynick, Jr., Esq., and Andrew J. Renda, Jr., Esq., were both named for the fourth consecutive year as "Super Lawyers" in the area of plaintiff personal injury in the April 2008 edition of New Jersey Monthly magazine.

Mr. Voynick and Mr. Renda were among a distinguished group of lawyers that was comprised of less than 1 percent of all lawyers throughout the state of New Jersey.

Renda & Voynick was founded in
August 1986 and since that time has
continued to represent victims injured by the
wrongful acts of others. Year after year, the firm
has achieved exceptional results for their clients
and is widely respected by both lawyers and
insurance companies as a law firm that obtains
large recoveries for its clients.

Both Mr. Voynick and Mr. Renda have been certified by the New Jersey Supreme Court as Civil Trial Attorneys continuously since 1987. They continue to provide compassionate and aggressive representation for individuals who have suffered serious personal injuries.



Renda & Voynick receives referrals of personal injury matters from other attorneys because of their expertise as Certified Civil Trial Attorneys. They are authorized by the New Jersey Supreme Court to forward referral fees to referring attorneys, without the necessity of work participation. The firm also welcomes any inquiries, questions, or referrals from clients or attorneys in the area of personal injury. Of course, initial consultations are always free.

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# RENDA & VOYNICK OBTAINS A \$5 MILLION RECOVERY AND A \$1.5 MILLION JURY VERDICT

Renda & Voynick recently obtained a \$5 million recovery in a case involving a client who suffered extraordinarily serious and life-threatening injuries as a result of a head-on collision caused by a negligent driver who crossed over the center line, into the lane of oncoming traffic. The severe impact caused the client to suffer fractures of both ankles, along with a fractured shoulder, arm, and numerous fractured ribs, in addition to other serious injuries, which necessitated several surgeries and extensive hospitalizations and nursing home care. The amount of the recovery is remarkable in that the settlement was obtained before a lawsuit was filed. This occurred because Renda & Voynick prepared the case in the claims stage as if preparing the case for trial. A videotape presentation of the treating orthopedic surgeon and the clients was made, and extensive medical illustrations were prepared depicting the various injuries and surgical procedures performed. Ultimately, an extensive and comprehensive settlement brochure was prepared with inserts for DVDs which contained the videotaped interviews from the physician and clients. Once the insurance carrier realized the thorough manner in which the case was prepared, the insurance carrier offered \$5 million to settle the case, which was accepted by the clients. This strategy resulted in the clients avoiding the necessity of having to relive the trauma of the accident and the painful medical treatment that took place, which would have been necessary if the case had proceeded to trial.

Unfortunately, not all cases are able to be settled in the

claims stage before suit is filed or without a trial. If the insurance carrier makes what Renda & Voynick considers to be an unreasonably low offer, they proceed to trial on behalf of their client. In one such case, Renda & Voynick obtained a jury verdict in the amount of \$1.5 million on behalf of a client who was severely injured as a passenger in a motor vehicle involved in multiple collisions on the Garden State Parkway. She sustained ankle fractures requiring complex open reduction surgery and internal fixation utilizing screws, wire, and a metal plate, as well as a loss of consciousness, with resultant depression and personality changes, and a laceration of the forehead, resulting in a scar.

Renda & Voynick obtained poster-size medical illustrations that were presented to the jury to demonstrate the severity of the injuries and the nature of the surgery performed.

Mr. Renda and Mr. Voynick presented both lay testimony and expert testimony to explain to the jury how the client's life had been drastically changed as a result of the accident. They effectively cross-examined the defense medical experts, who unsuccessfully attempted to minimize the extent of the injuries sustained.

At the conclusion of the trial, which lasted almost one month, the jury awarded damages to our client in the amount of \$1.5 million. In both cases, the clients were extremely satisfied. They recognized the effort and dedication displayed by Renda & Voynick on their behalf.